

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2572 - SB 2889

February 5, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the Department of Health from assigning an inspector to a nursing home facility in which the inspector has been employed as staff, officer, consultant or agent.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures – \$13,700 / One-Time
\$238,700 / Recurring**

Assumptions:

- Currently, federal regulations do not authorize inspectors to conduct the inspection of a nursing home if he or she was employed with the nursing home within two years prior to the date of the inspection.
- The Department of Health will not incur a significant increase in expenditures to determine the employment history of current and future inspectors.
- According to the Department of Health, there could be a need for three additional surveyor positions in order to meet both the requirements of the proposed legislation and federal time requirements for inspections which would result in an increase in one-time state expenditures of \$13,700 and recurring state expenditures of \$238,700.
- The one-time state expenditures of \$13,700 include computers (\$4,800), printers (\$800), and office set-up (\$8,100).
- The recurring state expenditures \$238,700 include salaries (\$132,200), benefits (\$46,300), administrative allocations (\$23,700), communications (\$4,200), computer connections (\$200), office leases (\$12,300), supplies (\$1,800) and travel (\$18,000)

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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